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Statement by the Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence Dr. Donald M. Kerr

--Iran NIE Example of Solid Analytic Tradecraft--

In response to those questioning the analytic work & integrity of the United States Intelligence Community, Dr. Donald Kerr has released the following statement:

"National Intelligence Estimates contain the coordinated judgments of the Intelligence Community regarding the likely course of future events and the implications for U.S. policy. The task of the Intelligence Community is to produce objective, ground truth analysis. We feel confident in our analytic tradecraft and resulting analysis in this estimate."